

## 2d - [Collision Lab](#) investigation 2 method 1

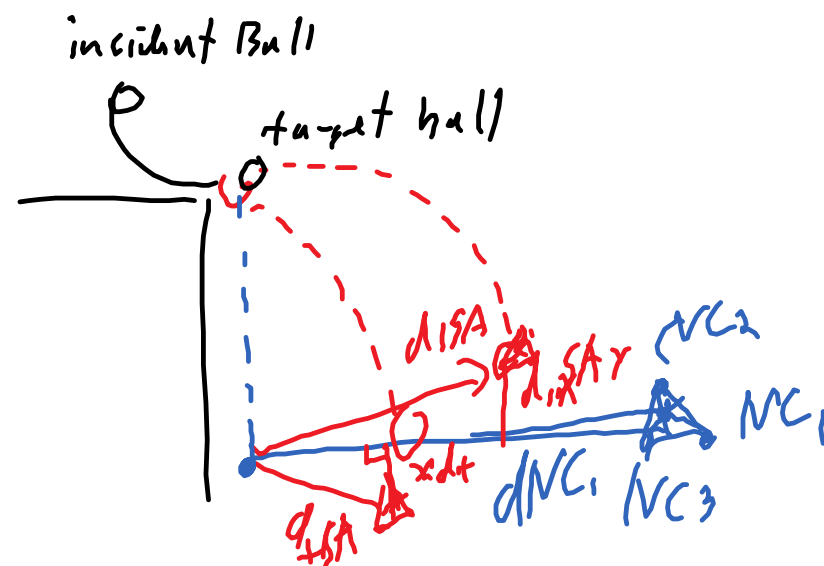
purpose: determine if momentum and kinetic energy are conserved in collisions at different angles.

Hypothesis:

The vector sum of momenta of a system is conserved through collisions and explosions if the system is closed and isolated (no external forces)

Kinetic energy is conserved in perfectly elastic collisions - no energy goes into heat (friction), sound, deformation.

procedure refer to physics 12 lab manual  
Investigation 2 method 1



Observations:

groups of 2 or 3 hand in paper you tape to the ground with dots labelled.

3 drops 3 times (skip part of the lab)

1 set of 3 drops - no collision, incident ball. mass of incident ball \_\_\_\_\_

d of centroid of 3 dots to plumb line \_\_\_\_\_

2nd set of 3 drops - collision with small angle

mass of target ball \_\_\_\_\_

d to incident ball \_\_\_\_\_ x component \_\_\_\_\_

d to target ball \_\_\_\_\_ x component \_\_\_\_\_

3rd set of 3 drops - collision with larger angle

d to incident ball \_\_\_\_\_ x component \_\_\_\_\_

d to target ball \_\_\_\_\_ x component \_\_\_\_\_

Height of the collision point, h \_\_\_\_\_

Calculations:

$p = mv = md/t$        $h = 1/2 gt^2$      $t = \text{root}(2h/g)$   $\Leftarrow$

Angle =  $\sin^{-1}$  (x component/d)

2 scale vector diagrams 1-small angle vs no collision 2 - larger angle vs no collision

Calculate vector components and compare to diagram error

Calculate total kinetic energies before and after

Conclusion

Sources of uncertainty/error

Show calculations of solving p26-28 in lab manual

Practice problems 1, 5, 9, 11

Sample data

$p = md/t$      $t = \text{root}(2h/g)$

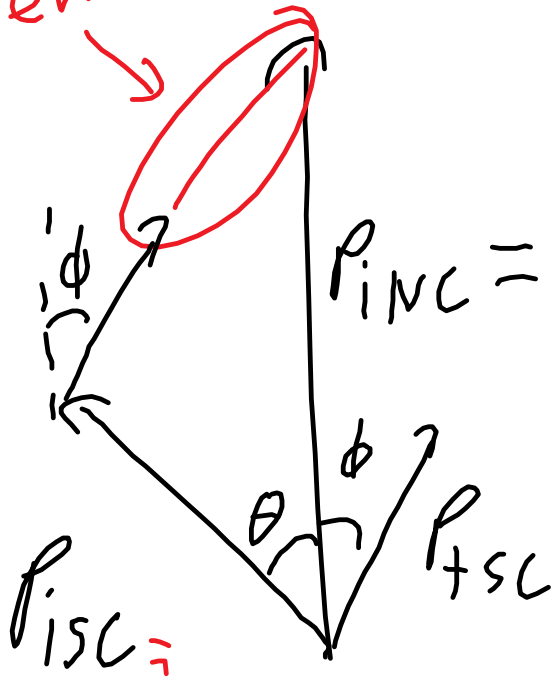
$p = 16.32\text{g}$   $0.515\text{m}/(\text{root}(2 \times 0.765\text{m}/9.80\text{m/s}^2))$

21.27 gm/s

5 times  
NCi  
SAi SAT  
BAT: BAT

Scale  $1\text{cm} = 19\text{m/s}$

error measure



$$\rho_{inc} = 21.27 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

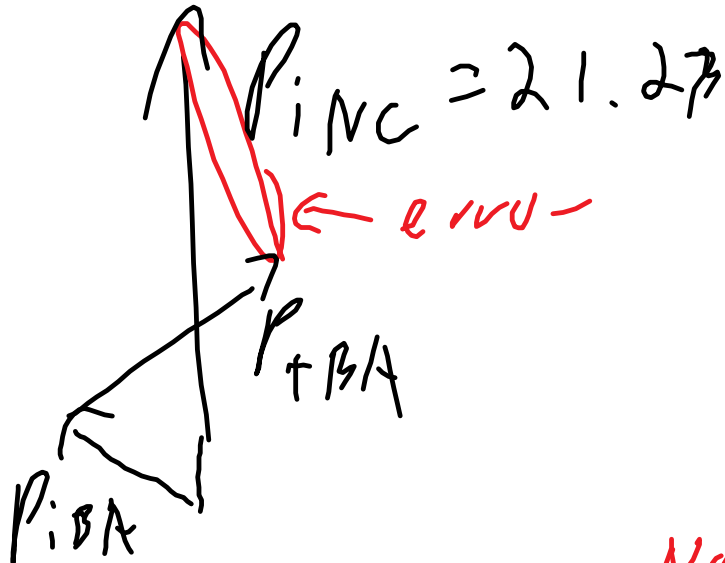
Component  $T_3$ .

$$\sum p_{xi} = \sum p_{if}$$

$$\sum p_{y_i} = \sum p_f$$

error total  
 $\sqrt{P_x^2 + P_y^2}$

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← No Angle)

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \frac{d^2}{\frac{dh}{a}}$$

Not a vector

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